PAINTING INSTRUCTIONS

SONANCE® C SERIES, VISUAL PERFORMANCE SERIES®, AND CINEMA SERIES

IMPORTANT: THESE INSTRUCTIONS SUPERCEDE ALL PREVIOUS SONANCE SPEAKER PAINTING INSTRUCTIONS, INCLUDING THOSE CONTAINED IN THE SPEAKER INSTRUCTION MANUAL.

Before You Begin

Sonance Visual Performance Series and Sonance Cinema Series speaker grilles completely cover the exposed speaker frame, so only the grilles (not the speakers themselves) require painting.

IMPORTANT: If the wall or ceiling is painted after VP Speakers are installed, their paint shields will protect the drivers and baffle panels. However, the speaker flanges must be masked before painting the wall or ceiling.

See Figure 1

Painting The Grilles

1. Prime the grille with a metal primer/bonder in a spray can. Carefully follow the manufacturer’s directions on the can.

2. We recommend using water-based latex paint on the grilles. Thin the paint with a proper thinning agent to a ratio of 1:1 paint-to-thinner, and strain it through a standard mesh strainer to remove any lumps.

   IMPORTANT: Due to its increased durability, oil-based paint should be considered for VP Extreme Series Speakers that are installed outdoors.

3. Use a small touch-up gun or cap-spray gun with a #3 tip for painting.

   (A) Set the nozzle with a medium to wide fan
   (B) Set the pressure regulator to 60psi
   (C) Lightly spray the front of the grille in 3 quick strokes from approximately 10 inches away
   (D) Let the paint set for a minute, then turn the grille 90° and lightly spray the grille again in 3 quick strokes. Repeat this step until all four sides of the grille have been evenly painted evenly.

4. While the paint is still wet, inspect the grille and make sure that excess paint has not collected underneath the grille frame, and that none of the grille perforations are filled with paint. If any are, use compressed air to blow the paint out of the perforations.

   IMPORTANT: If you find any grille perforations that are plugged with paint after the paint has dried, use a straight pin or sewing needle to carefully remove the paint.

5. Once the paint has thoroughly dried, replace the scrim cloth on the back of the grille and mount the grille on the speaker.

Preparing The Grilles For Painting

Carefully remove the scrim cloth from the underside of the grille. The scrim cloth is held in place with a light tacking glue. Use a heating agent such as a heat gun or hair dryer to soften the glue and carefully remove the cloth, since you will need to replace it when you’re done painting the grille. Be careful not to deform the cloth’s shape while removing it - this will make it very difficult to properly replace the cloth on the grille. Remove any adhesive residue from the back of the grille before beginning painting.

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